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Application of

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PETITION AGAINST REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

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Sir:

The requirement for restriction made in the Office Action mailed December 8, 2000 has been repeated and made final in the Office Action mailed June 14, 2001. Applicant petitions against the requirement for restriction.


The basis for this petition with respect to claims 20-27 is that claim 20, as now amended, is drawn to a key that is uniquely suited for the lock defined in claim 1.

The new claim 28 is method claim directed to the method of making a key. The method defined in claim 28 results in a key having the structure defined in claim 20 and accordingly claims 28 and 29 are directed to the same invention as claim 20.

With respect to claims 12-19, the new claim 28 links the structure defined in claim 12 to the structure defined in claim 20 and accordingly claims 12-19 are directed to the same invention as claims 20-27.

A check that includes the amount of \$130 for the fee under 37 CFR 1.17 is submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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